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For : CONSUMER REPLACEABLE DATA PLAYER DOOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTHon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

In the US national phase application of PCT/EP99/03283 filed
herewith, please enter the following amendments

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, before line 1, insert

-- CONSUMER REPLACEABLE DATA PLAYER DOOR --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the originally filed claims as follows:

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1. (AMENDED) A portable data player and/or recorder [having] comprising a casing [(1)] and a door [(2)], said door [(2)] being rotatably attached about an axis AA' to said casing [(1)], said axis AA' defining a first and a second directions, the door [(2)] and the casing [(1)] being able relatively to each other of at least two ranges of angular positions, a first range of positions in which the door [(2)] is widely open, a second range of position in which the door [(2)] is open and of a closed position, said last position being a position in which the door [(2)] closes an opening [(4)] of said casing [(1)], wherein, in the first range of angular positions, the door [(2)] can slide along axis AA' in the first direction up to a first axial position in which a first shoulder [(14, 15, 22)] of the door [(2)] is abutting against a first shoulder [(19, 20, 21)] of the casing [(1)], and wherein, in the first range of angular positions, said door [(2)] can slide along axis AA' in the second axial direction up to a second axial position in which the door [(2)] and the casing [(1)] are disengaged from one another, and wherein, in the second range of angular position and the first axial position, a second shoulder [(18, 18')] of the door [(2)] is abutting against a second shoulder [(11)] of the casing [(1)] preventing any translation movement of the door [(2)] along axis AA' in the second direction.